



Operation Green Team Presents

Play Days at Hays

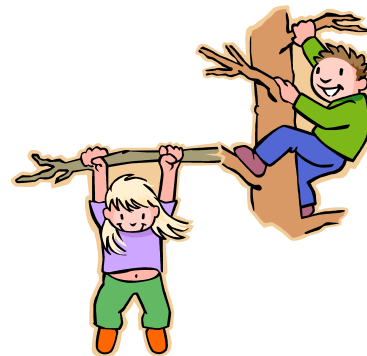
Terrame Natural Playground at Hays Nature Preserve

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9-10am, 10:30-11:30am & 1-2pm

Saturdays

10-11am & 1-2pm



Sessions are **FREE** and promise to be fun and educational as children, with an adult, explore and learn about the great outdoors.

June Schedule

Tuesday June 2 & Thursday June 4: **Forest Safety and Orientation** (K-6th): We'll take a walk through the Preserve and talk about safety while exploring and learning more about the animals and plants that could harm you. Explorers will also learn how to find their way on a map.

Saturday June 6: **Let it Grow** (K-6th): What does a seed need to grow into a plant? What is inside a seed? In a fun and engaging lesson, young scientists learn all about what it takes for a seed to become a plant as they listen to a story, examine the inside of a seed and plant their own seeds to take home.

Tuesday June 9 & Saturday June 13: **Learn about Dirt** (3rd -6th): Have you ever made a Sediment Jar. Not all soil is created equal! We will make hands-on sediment jars which will show the layers of our soil. We will also read the book: [Dirt, the Scoop on Soil](#)

Thursday June 11: **Edible Soil Layer Activity** (3rd -6th): More on Dirt! We will read Soil Basics, and then make our very own EDIBLE Soil Layer - LET'S EAT AND LEARN!

Tuesday June 16: **Fishing fun** (K-6th): Bring your rod and reel, or use one of our cane poles. Let's have some fun catching and releasing fish in Bar Lake. We will furnish the worms, and even bait the hook (if you want us to).

Thursday June 18 & Saturday June 20: **Outdoor Games** (K-6th): Some days are best spent playing games made for the outdoors. Let's relax and have a morning playing outside! Challenge hand-eye coordination playing games of corn hole. Of course there will be bubbles! We will experiment making bubbles using different ingredients to change the results.

Tuesday June 23 & Saturday June 27: **Sun Catchers and Nature Weaving** (3rd -6th): We will take our containers/bags and collect small items that would work well in our pressed flower sun catchers. We will also be making a weave hanging decoration with twigs, yarn/twine and more of our collected nature items.

Thursday June 25: **Art in the Preserve** (K -6th): We will paint, color, draw and just have fun. Painting acorns, rocks, twigs. We will make some colorful butterflies, and other crafts.

Tuesday June 30: **Let's Go on a Herp Journey** (K-6th): An engaging and super exciting time learning about live reptiles species from across Alabama and beyond will be held with the Coosa River Science Center. Explorers can get up close to an alligator, gopher tortoise, salamanders, snakes, lizards, toads, frogs, and box and aquatic turtles. Myths and truths about these amazing animals will be covered. ***This Play Day session will be from 9-11am only.***

Space is limited. Call 256-532-5326 to reserve your spot and to get more information.

NOTE: For all these events, children should wear old comfortable shoes and play clothes that can get a bit dirty. Don't forget a bottle of water. Your preferred insect repellent, especially on the lower legs, will help fend off unwanted insect bites. Children must be accompanied by an adult during the sessions.

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